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ROUTINE AT THE CITY COUNCIL

Some Minor Matters Dealt With By Aldermen Last Night.

There was little routine business at the council meeting last evening, and outside the debate on two appointments, there was little doing.

A vote of thanks was tendered to Mayor Stevely by Ald. Armstrong and Ald. Booth for the manner in which he had conducted the business of the year.

Ald. Beattie called the attention of the council to the fact that fifth and refuse was being dumped on the lands of the city, contrary to the bylaw recently enacted, and he moved that the police commissioners be instructed that the nuisance be abated. The motion carried.

Alleged Complaints.
Ald. Booth informed the council that there had been many complaints that Parks Commissioner Pearce was cutting down trees in the city without the consent of the property-owners. This he did not consider proper.

Ald. Gerry, chairman of the board of works, also declared that he had received many complaints. In future Mr. Pearce was not to cut down any trees without the consent of the owner of the property.

Ald. Greenlee reported that in the case of the hose wagon to be constructed for the fire department by the Canadian Fire Engine Company, it was impossible to get a bond from a guarantee company, and the committee had decided to accept the personal bond of Mr. Robert Angus and Mr. D. J. Gillies in lieu of it. This was satisfactory to the council.

Other Matters.
Mr. T. H. Luscombe on behalf of Mr. Maurice Baldwin, asked for compensation for injuries to a horse, No. 2. The London Canine Association applied for the free use of the city hall for Friday, Jan. 8, to hold a dog show. Granted.

Several local improvement bylaws were passed.
Those present were Mayor Stevely, Ald. Beattie, Stevenson, Ferguson, Parsons, Greenlee, Armstrong, Moorehead, Booth, Saunders, Rose, Stewart and Gerry and City Clerk Baker.

The death has occurred at his residence, 13 Albert Terrace, Edinburgh, of Mr. Wm. Blach, for the last 23 years a member of the editorial staff of the Scotsman. He was a native of Aberdeenshire.

California, Mexico, Florida.
Special round-trip tourist rates in effect to principal winter resorts. For full information as to rates, routes, etc., apply to any Grand Trunk ticket agent.

Baggage delivered to any part of the city. Hueston's Livery.

LIEUT. SCOTT IS ASSISTANT CHIEF

City Council Made the Appointment on Recommendation of No. 3 Committee.

Lieut. Scott was given the appointment as assistant chief of the fire department at the council meeting last evening. There was considerable discussion on the subject.
When Ald. Greenlee read his report, he pointed out that the recommendation of Lieut. Scott was brought before the council merely out of courtesy, as according to the bylaw, the appointment could be made only on the recommendation of the chief of the department, and ratified by No. 3 committee. He moved that the clause recommending the appointment be carried.

Ald. Beattie pointed out that the council had nothing at all to do with it according to the bylaw, and there was no need to bring it before them at all.

Ald. Beattie's Opinion.
"We have nothing at all to do with that appointment," said Ald. Beattie. "According to the bylaw just read, the appointment is entirely in the hands of No. 3 committee and the chief. Let them take the responsibility."

Ald. Greenlee did not think it any use sending it back. The committee had done everything it could, and had come to the conclusion that Lieut. Scott was the man for the place.
Ald. Ferguson thought that Capt. Case had not been given a square deal. He was not requested to take the examination after his application had gone in. No action was taken in regard to it, and he considered it unfair that Capt. Case should be given as good a chance as any of the rest.

Ald. Armstrong gave a long explanation of his interview with Capt. Case, stating that he had asked Case if there was any feeling between him and Chief Aitken, and he answered that there had been.

My contention is that the committee was wrong in bringing this matter before us at all," said Ald. Beattie. "We have no power to make the appointment and they are asking us to do something irregular. I would suggest that the council adjourn and give No. 3 time to bring in a report informing us just what they have done. That is all that is needed."

The council then adjourned for five minutes, and No. 3 committee fixed up its report in accordance with Ald. Beattie's suggestion, and it carried when the council resumed without difficulty.

A BAD DAY FOR THORNTON HAINS

Dramatic Recital of Annis' Murder by His Widow.

MENACED HER WITH A GUN

Tried to Get to Dying Husband But Was Prevented by Prisoner, She Declares.

Flushing, L. I., Dec. 21.—The trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains reached a climax of dramatic intensity today, when Mrs. Helen E. Annis, widow of Wm. E. Annis, in a deliberate recital, lasting nearly three hours, pictured the killing of her husband, as he sat at the tiller of his boat, by Capt. Peter C. Hains, jun.

Mrs. Annis nearly fainted a few minutes before her examination was concluded. She swayed in her chair, but quickly recovered after drinking a glass of water and smelling a vial of salts.

It was a hard day for the defence, and counsel for Hains was exhausted from the arduous cross-examination which was directed relentlessly toward the state's witnesses in an effort to shake their testimony. Thornton Hains lost much of the easy nonchalance that has characterized his manner in previous sessions. Led from the court by two deputy sheriffs, the prisoner appeared dejected and careworn.

Garbed in a black cloth suit, and wearing a wide flaring hat that cast a shadow over the upper part of her face, Mrs. Annis made an impressive figure on the witness stand, as she told in quiet tones her story of Aug. 15 at the Bayside Yacht Club. Several new points of evidence added dramatic interest to the trial, and the lawyers for the state declared tonight, make for certain conviction of the defendant.

Threatened by Hains.
When Annis' boat came alongside the boat, the widow testified, Thornton Hains beckoned to his brother, and led the way down the runway. The shooting followed within a few moments.

Lawyer McIntyre sought to discredit the "beckoning episode," which the state asserts proves that the author induced the army captain to the crime, and kept Mrs. Annis on this point under cross-examination for almost half an hour.

Hains' counsel developed that Mrs. Annis had not told District Attorney Darrin that the defendant had beckoned to his brother until last week. "I ran down the runway and Thornton Hains pointed his revolver at me. I turned to go back and he pressed the weapon against my back, saying: 'You get out of here or you will get the same.' I ran up the runway and, looking back, saw my husband fall into the water."

So said Mrs. Annis in relating her story, and this new evidence the lawyers for Hains struggled vainly to discredit.

The day was filled with unexpected incidents. While Mrs. Annis was testifying Justice Crane cautioned District Attorney Darrin to pay attention, whereupon Mr. Darrin declared the court was unjust to him in making it appear that he was asleep on the case. Another important witness today was Charles H. Roberts, a Bayside Yacht Club member, and an eye-witness of the shooting. Roberts' testimony was important, because he related that Thornton Hains after the shooting expressed to him his sorrow for the act. "I tried hard to prevent this," the witness said Hains said.

SILVER IN NOVA SCOTIA

Prospectors Hired by a Lady Make a Rich Strike.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 22.—A party of prospectors in the employ of Miss Beattie Dunbrack, formerly housekeeper at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, have struck what is claimed to be a rich vein of silver at Musquodoboit, Halifax County, and she has taken up over 250 acres, and will work them. Miss Dunbrack is a native of Musquodoboit, but has been in New York for years.

JOE MARTIN FOR ENGLAND

Closes Out Canadian Interests and Will Settle in Old Country.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—Joseph Martin, K. C., leaves Vancouver Feb. 1. He has closed some large real estate interests and is giving up his law practice. He will argue Canadian cases before the Privy Council, and may seek admission to the English bar, and is sure to take a hand in old country politics.

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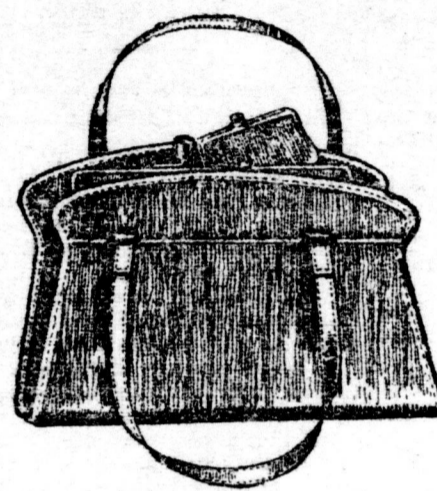
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Ebonized Hall Rack, with Brushes and Whisk. A Set **\$3 and \$3.75**

Ebonized Ink Wells, each **35¢ to \$1.50**

Ebonized and Ebony Nail Buffers, each **30¢ and 35¢**

Ebonized Nail Files and Paper Knives, each **12½¢**

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46-Inch Cream shadow Stripe Taffeta, a yard **75¢**

44-Inch Cream Crepe de Chine, a yard **65¢**

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